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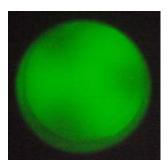
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- Flow Measurement
 - LDV
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Background



- Transverse jets (jets-in-crossflow) have been studied extensively in academia and industry
- Applications:
 - Smokestack dispersion
 - Gas turbine burners
 - VTOL Aircraft
- Use is well established in mixing of two dissimilar fluids for combustion devices
- Certain regimes of multiple jets have not been studied and are currently of interest to Air Force research goals



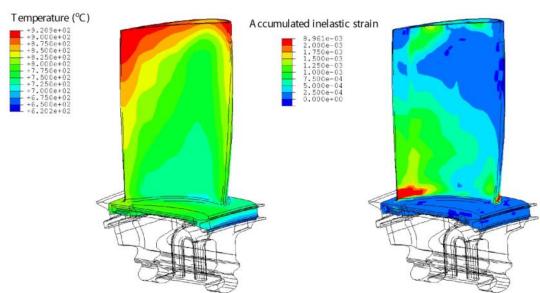


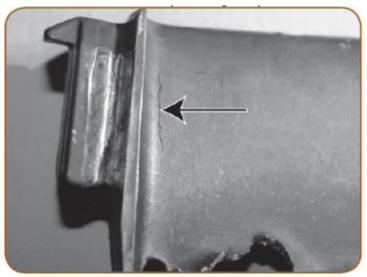


Problem Statement



- AF seeking to develop reusable high-performance liquid rocket engine
- Hindrances to reusability are turbine cycle fatigue and oxygen compatibility
- Turbine cycle fatigue issues
 - Density
 - Species
 - Temperature







Project Objective



- Investigate mixing behavior of multiple confined JICF to determine local optima
- Control parameters include velocity ratio, diameter ratio and number of jets
- Non-dimensional (ND) parameters of interest for scaling include momentum flux ratio, momentum ratio and others



Confined Jet Configuration

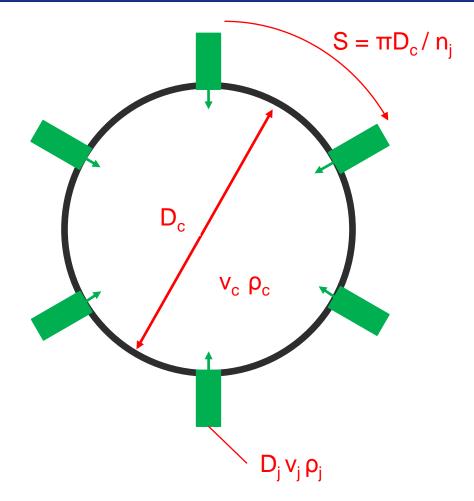


- Studies have historically focused on gas turbine applications involving rectangular ducts or free jets
- Holdeman et al. studied 8-12 cylindrical orifaces in a confined can
- Downstream profiles similar when scaled with orifice spacing (S/D_c) and the square root of the momentum flux ratio

$$C = (\frac{S}{D_c})\sqrt{J}$$

- For most cases, C ≈ 2.5 (empirical)
- The optimum momentum flux ratio can then be given by:

$$J_{opt} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C n_j}{\pi} \right)^2$$



Momentum Flux Ratio:
$$J = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2$$



Unmixedness



 Gas turbine combustors commonly use temperature as a means of analogizing concentration since they are both scalar quantities. The non-dimensional temperature can be defined as:

$$\theta = \frac{T_m - T}{T_m - T_j}$$

- Using optical techniques, concentration can instead be analogized by light intensity (nonintrusive)
- Spatial unmixedness can then be defined from the variance and normalized:

$$U = \frac{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (C_i - \bar{C})^2}{\bar{C}^2}$$

Where m is the pixel count and C is concentration determined from calibration data and field corrections



Image Credit: Nova Lasers



Relevant Ratios



$$\pi_1 = \frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}$$

$$\pi_2 = \frac{v_j}{v_c}$$

$$\pi_3 = \frac{d_j}{d_c}$$

$$\pi_4 = n_j$$



Methodology



- Fix jet mass flow rates by cavitating venturis
- Adjust velocity ratio by changing core mass flow rate/core velocity for given geometry

$$\pi_2 = \frac{v_j}{v_c}$$

- Fix core diameter via standard test section
- Adjust jet diameters via interchangable inserts

$$\pi_3 = \frac{d_j}{d_c}$$

- Maximum number of jets set by test section
- Use "blank" inserts to reduce the number of jets

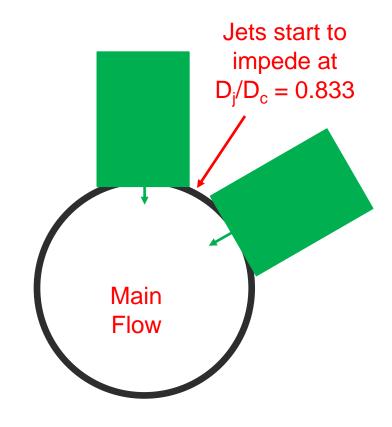
$$\pi_4 = n_j$$



Design Space



- How to determine relative ranges of velocity ratio, diameter ratio, and number of jets?
- Holdeman et al studied numbers of jets from 8-16
- Knowledge at lower n-values important for AF research goals
- 2, 3, 6 decided upon for symmetric injection
- Previous JICF work estimates diameter ratios between 0.1-0.3
- •Used knowledge of pre-existing water flow facility to approximately size core diameter and jet diameters



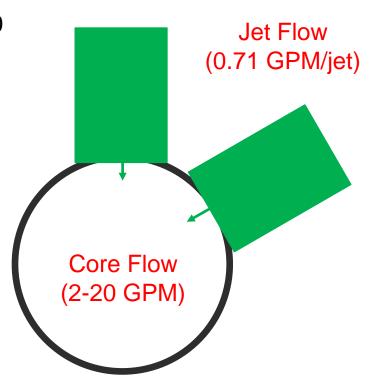


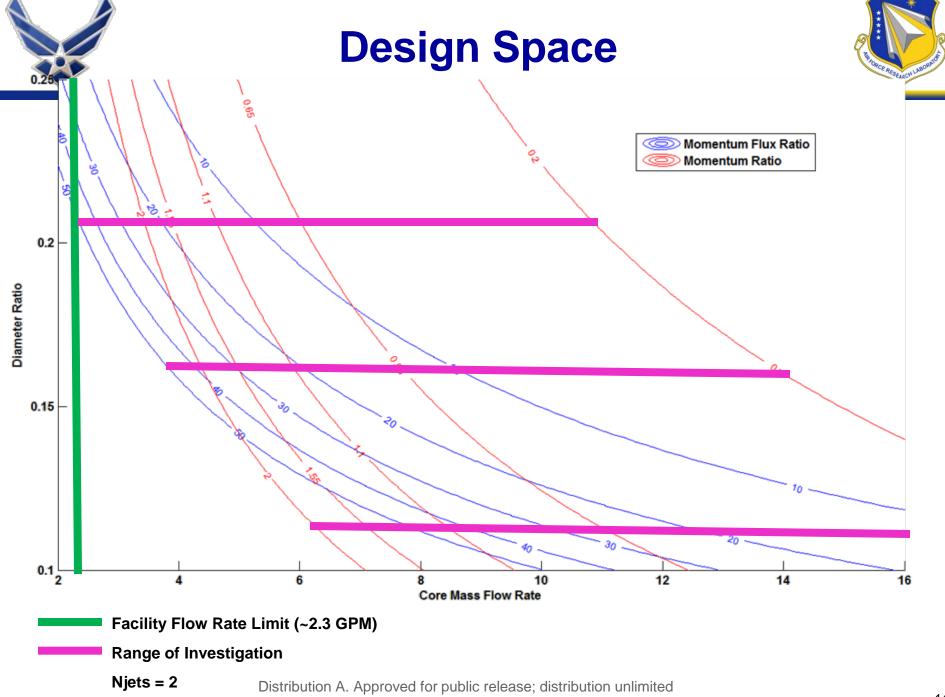
Design Space



- Previous JICF work studies J values from 5-200
- AF research focused on J ≈ 10-50
- Relevant velocity ratios set as square root of these values

- •Previous JICF work estimates diameter ratios between 0.1-0.3
- Used knowledge of pre-existing water flow facility to approximately size core diameter and jet diameters
- Based on mass flow available, selected 0.12-0.21 as possible diameter ratios





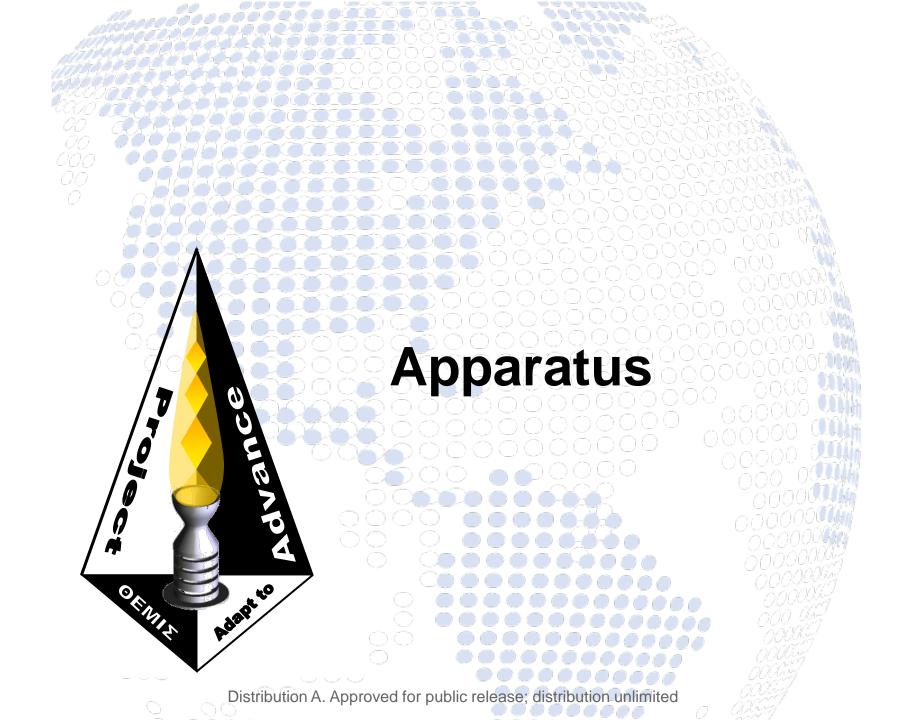


Design Space



$$\pi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{10} & \sqrt{20} & \sqrt{30} & \sqrt{40} & \sqrt{50} \end{bmatrix}$$
 $\pi_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.12 & 0.165 & 0.21 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\pi_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$
 $5 \times 3 \times 3 = 45 \text{ tests}$

- Changing diameter ratio or number of jets requires hardware change
- Changing number of jets is slightly easier, since certain inserts will be left in place and others will be blocked off by using "blanks"
- Diameter ratio/number of jets assigned fewer values to minimize hardware changeover while still covering parameters of interest
- Velocity ratio easiest to change, assigned more test points in order to increase strength of correlations

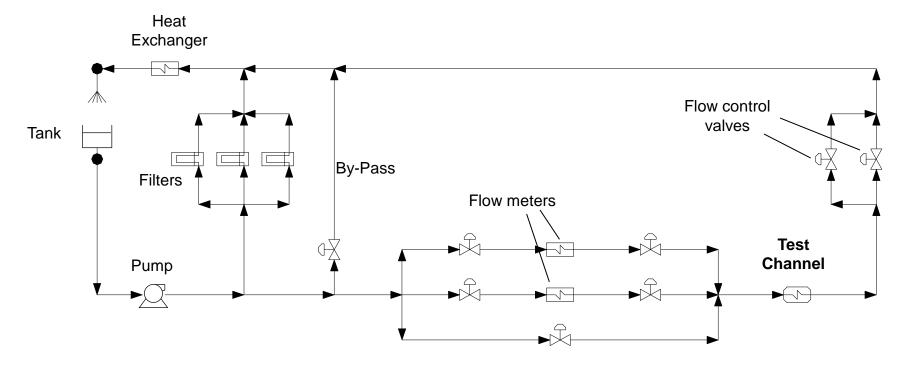




Water Flow Loop



- Pre-existing hardware, being remodeled to accommodate JICF
- Recirculating loop, tank open to atm., manually operated
- Approx. capabilities: 100 psi discharge, 100 gpm, inlet temp 10 40 °C
- Good control of fluid temp, pressure & flow rate



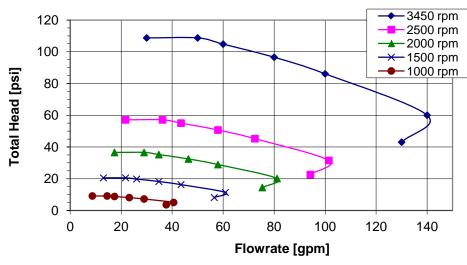


Water Flow Loop



- Water Tank
 - 60 gal cap
 - Open to atm
- Pump
 - Ebara A3U32-200
 - 10 hp (variable RPM)
 - Q @ 10-120 GPM
 - H @ 10-100 psi

Operating Curves for Ebara Pump Model A3U32-200-10hp



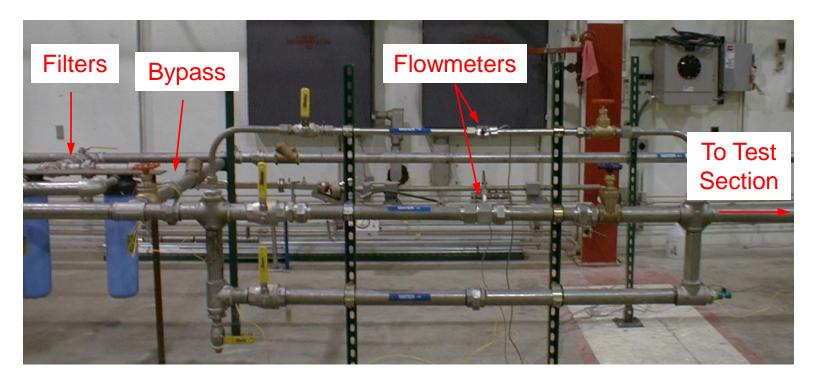




Water Flow Loop



- Line sizes (D = 1" or 2") allows low or high Q operation while controlling velocity
- Using 1" line for most tests

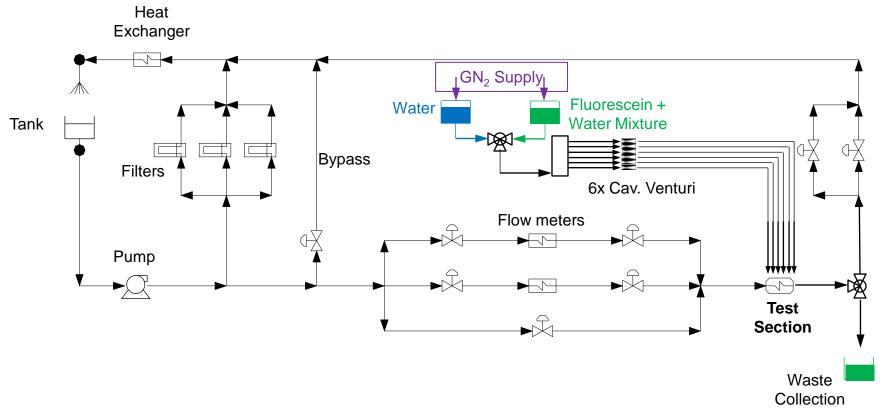




Modified Flow Loop



- Introduced injection piping
- Water used for shakedown/start-up
- Fluorescein used for data collection

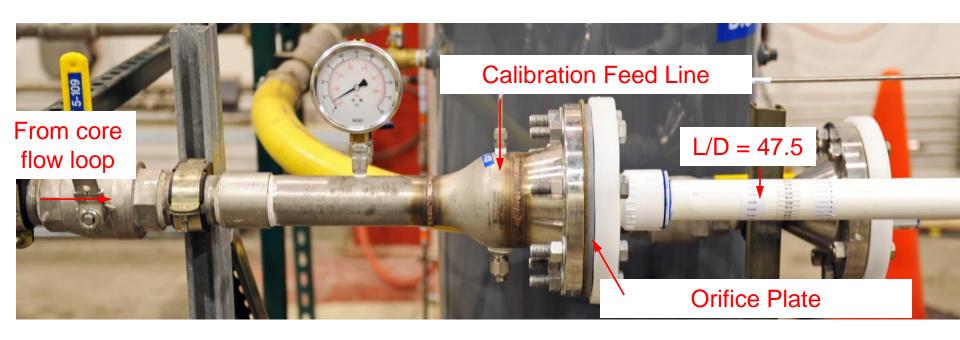




Turbulent Run-Up



- Orifice plate between inlet and turbulent run up to increase hydraulic resistance of the test section
- 1.5" PVC nominal

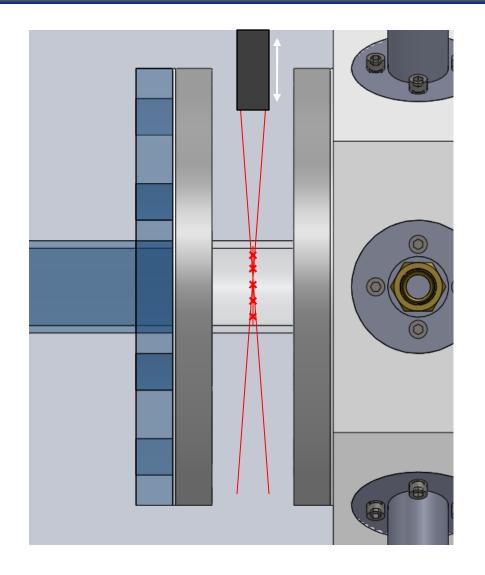




LDV Window



- Provides optical access before test section
- LDV crosshairs will traverse the window laterally to measure the inlet velocity profile (mean and turbulent fluctuations)
- Characterize for all potential core inflow velocities

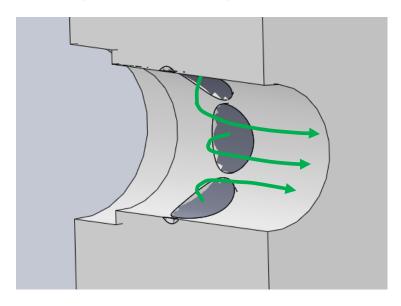


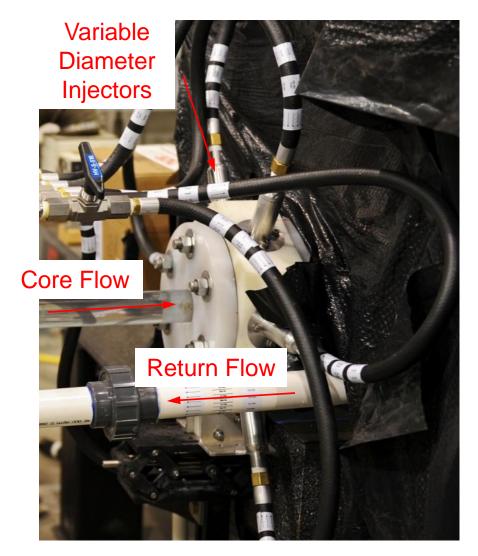


Injection Block



- Focal point of jets
- Nylon, machined on-site by AFRL techs
- Injection cross section is same as turbulent run-up (1.5" nominal)







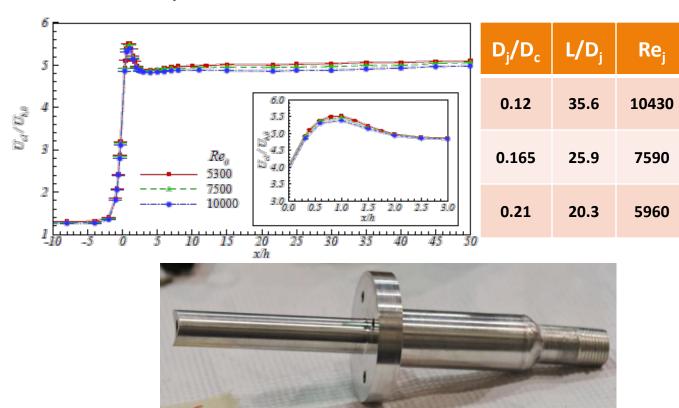
Jet Inserts



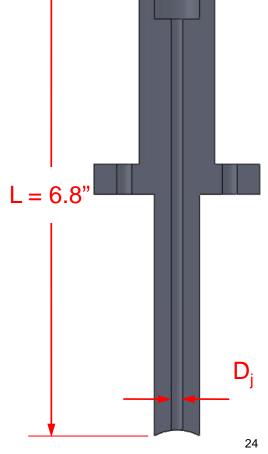
- All jet inserts machined the same for interchangability
- Characterize using LDV system

Ajayi, Papadopoulos and Durst (1998) concluded that x/D ≈ 20 sufficient

for velocity normalization (5300 < Re < 10000)





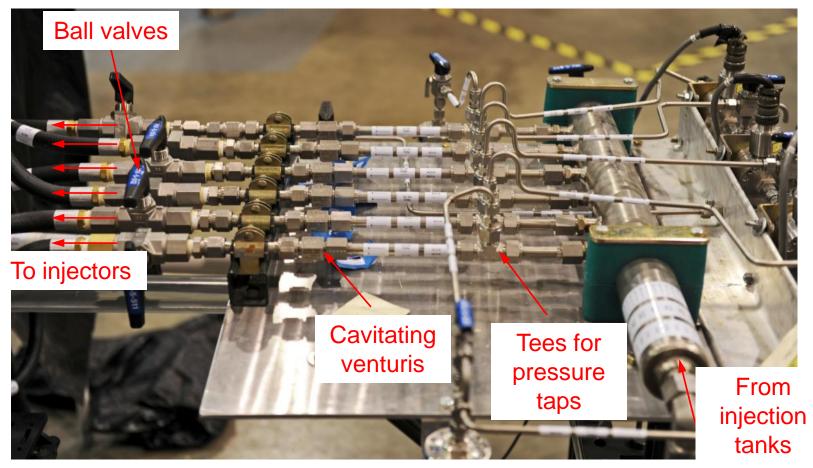




Injection Manifold



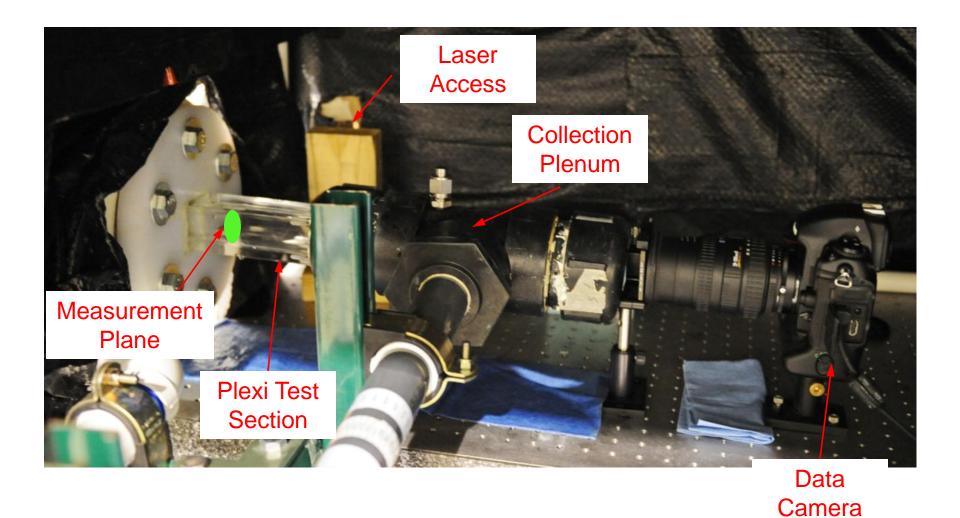
- Pressure drop across injection manifold is minimal
- Variation between lines is < 0.07 psi
- Resulting ΔQ between lines is < 1%



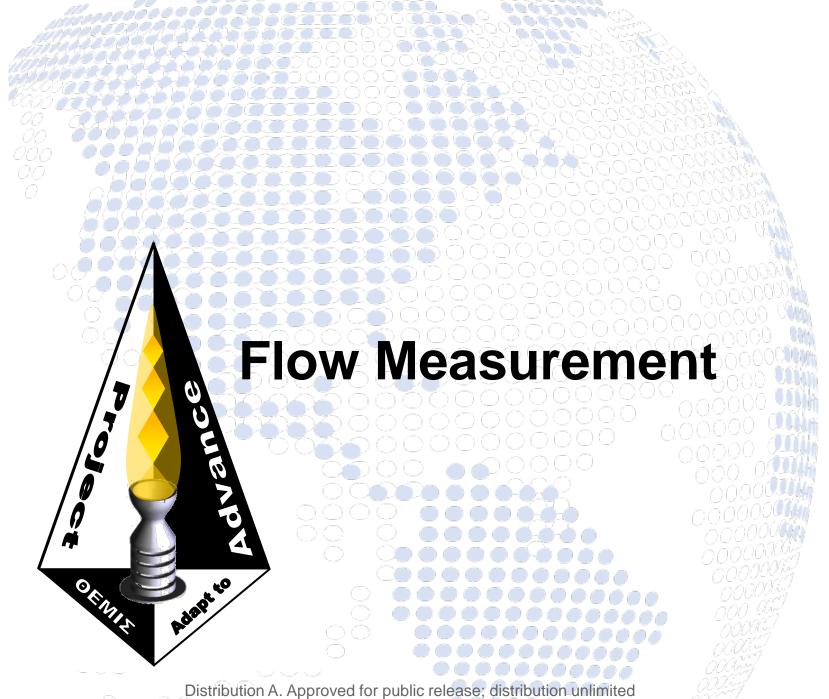


Measurement Window





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miniLDV System



- Lenses, beam splitter, and photodetector housed in a single unit
- Powered by 60 mW diode laser (output power 44 mW)
- Measurement specs:
 - 1 mm/s 300 m/s
 - Accuracy 99.7%
 - Delivers U and u'



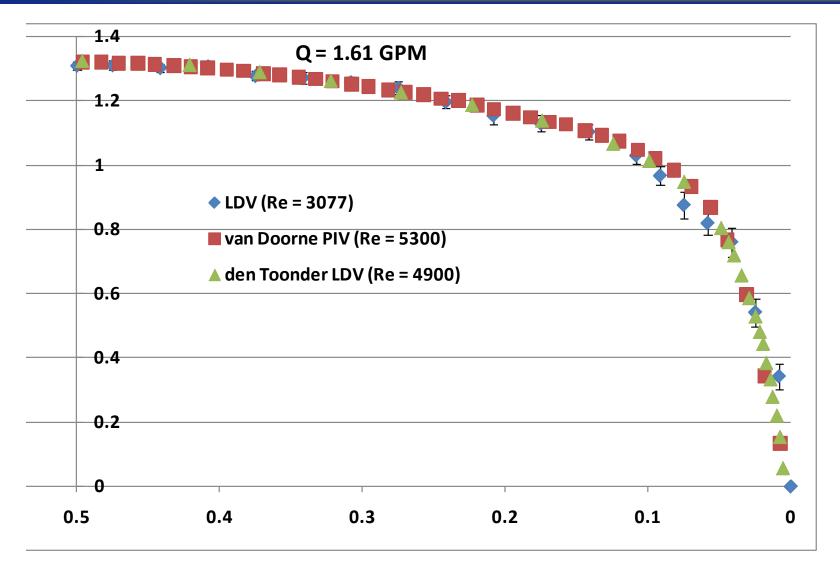


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LDV Profiles

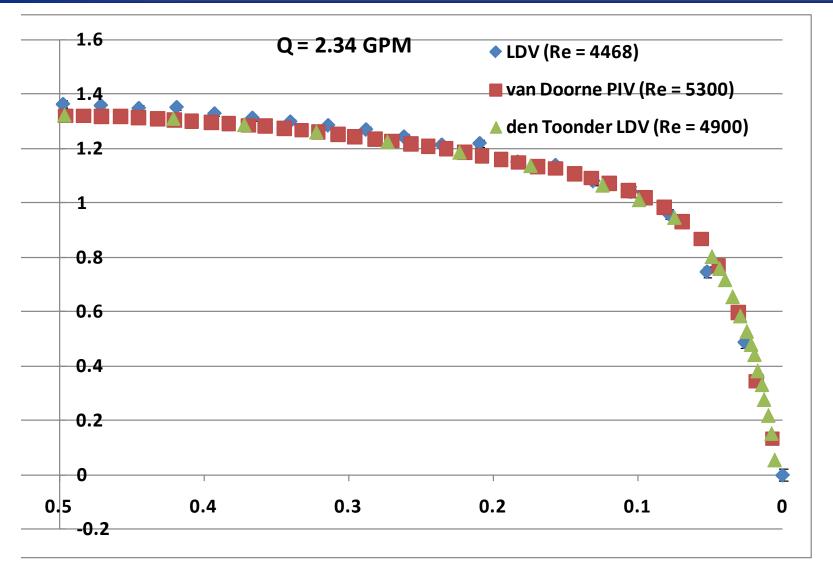






LDV Profiles

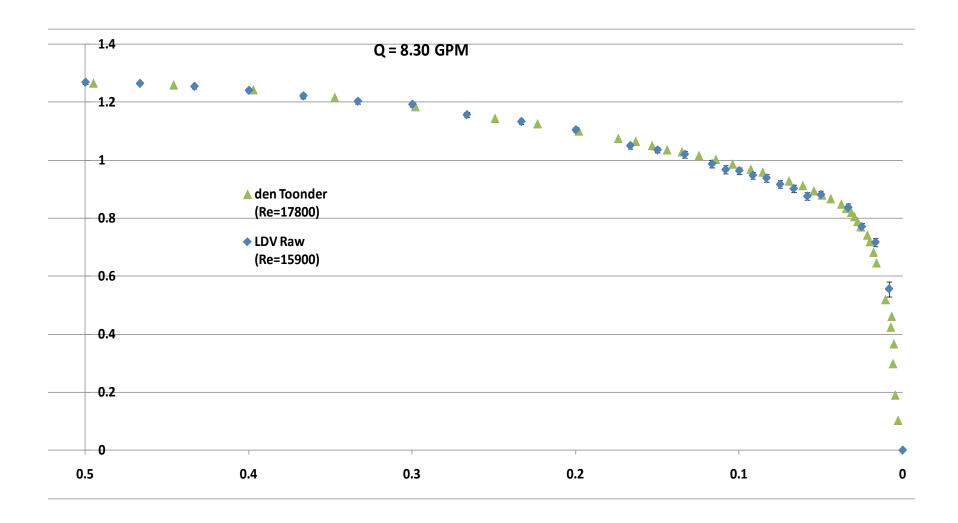






LDV Profiles







Planar Laser Induced Fluorescence



- Laser spread to a sheet using a cylindrical lens
- Laser energy excites fluorescent agent seeded into fluid of interest
- Calibrate using:
 - Laser Sheet Intensity
 - Injection fluid concentration
 - Exposure time

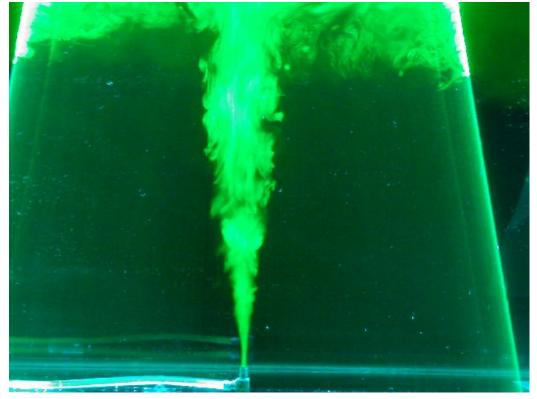


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Planar Laser Induced Fluorescence



- Fluorescent agent is sodium fluorescein ($C_{20}H_{10}Na_2O_5$)
- Benefits:
 - High quantum yield (~94%)
 - Water soluable
 - Relatively safe
- Other chemicals considered were Rhodamine (G and 6B); downselected for safety and ease of handling
- Absorption spectrum overlaps sufficiently with Ar-Ion laser @ 514 nm



Absorption Max	~494 nm
Emission Max	~521 nm

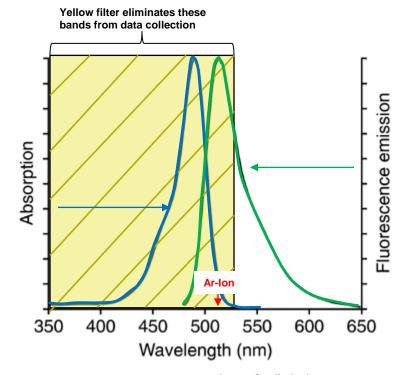


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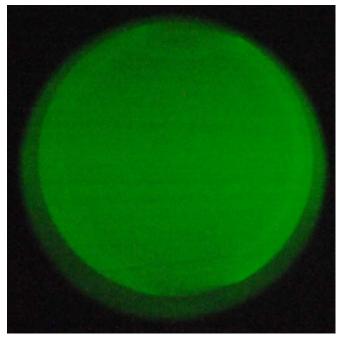


In-Situ Calibration



- Raw field intensity
 - Data set taken per test
 - 3-4 images per test
- Dark field intensity
 - Taken before each test
 - Background correction for camera pixels
- Reference field intensity
 - Taken daily
 - Fluid-filled test section at pure jet fluid concentration
 - Accounts for attenuation, beam shape and other environmental factors

$$I_{NORM} = \frac{I_{RAW} - I_{DF}}{I_{REF} - I_{DF}}$$



Sample reference image
Highpass Filtered at 530 nm
C = 4.8x10⁻⁸ mol/L
f-stop = 11
Exp time = 2 sec





Proposed Results



Holdeman deviation

-
$$n_j$$
 < $n_{critical}$ (≈ 6)

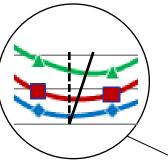
$$- J_{opt} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C n_j}{\pi} \right)^2$$

A change in the optimum unmixedness with the ND parameter of interest would indicate poor scaling

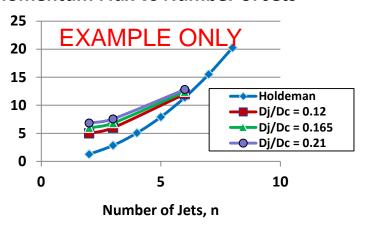
Show how unmixedness varies with ND parameters

- Concentration images
- Analysis of macro-level spatial flow features

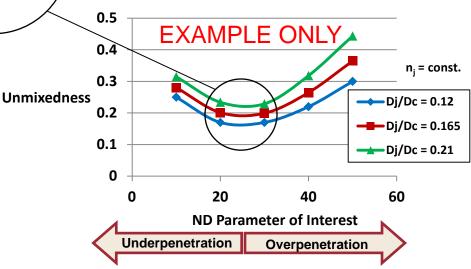
Optimum Momentum Flux Ratio, J_{ont}



Momentum Flux vs Number of Jets



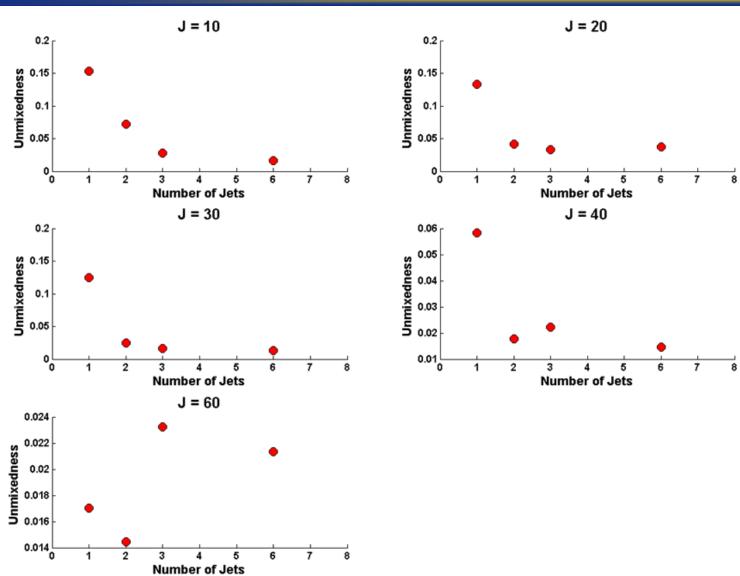
Unmixedness versus ND Parameter





Unmixedness



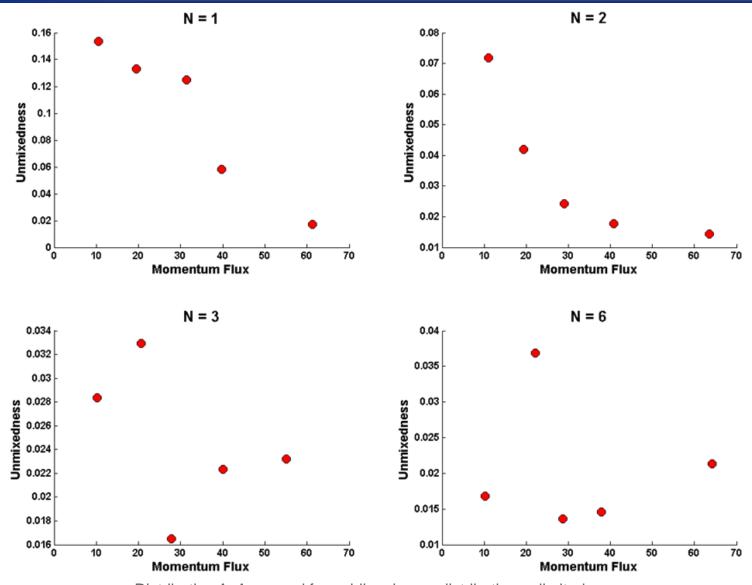


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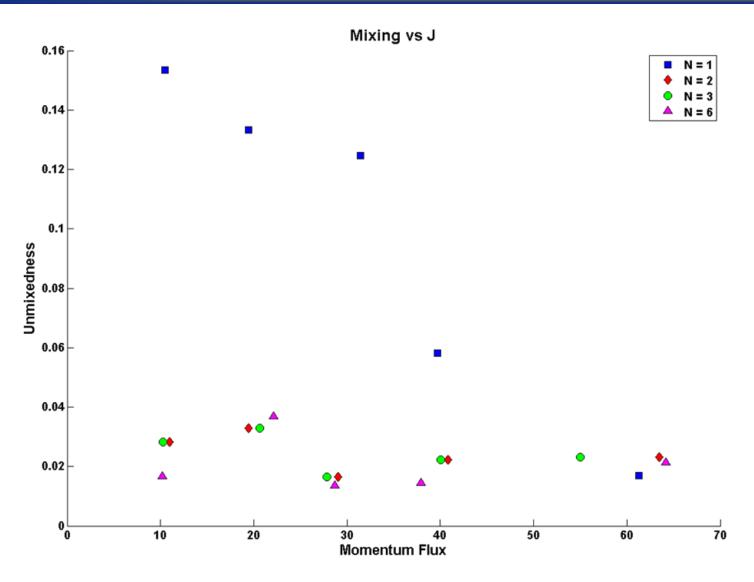


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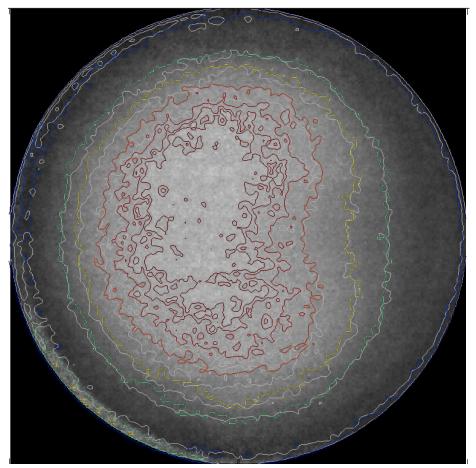


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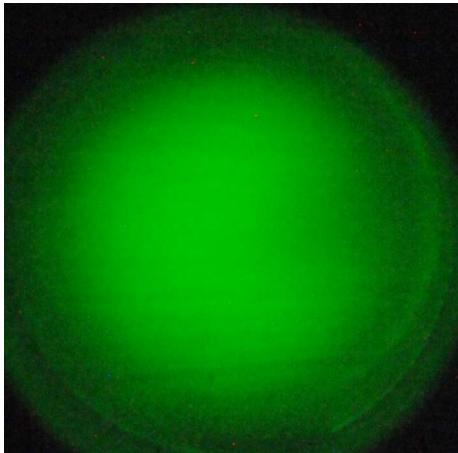


Sample Case – N1_J10_D12







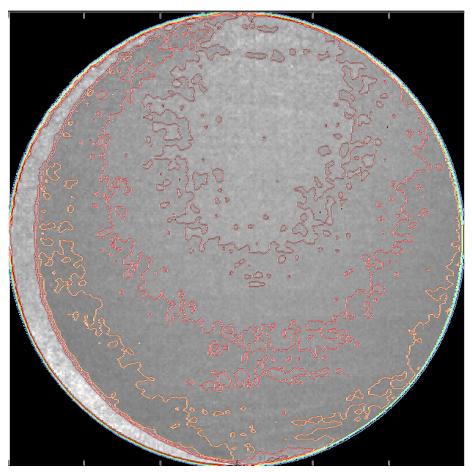


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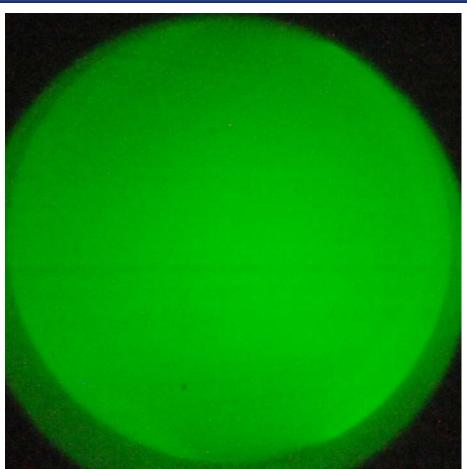


Sample Case – N6_J30_D12





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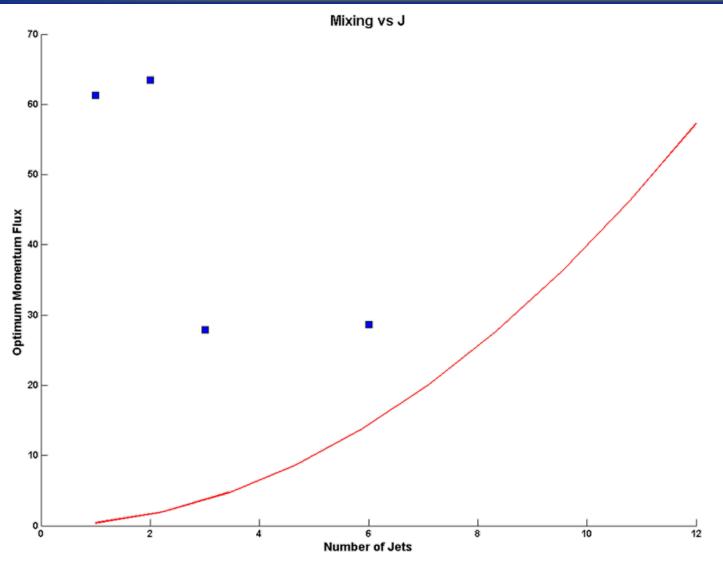


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Holdeman Plot





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Conclusions



- Sparse multi-JICF behave much how we expect
- Break-off point with Holdeman scaling slightly higher than theory predicts ($2\pi \sim 6.28$)
- Diminishing returns moving from 3 to 6 jets
- Take-away: there is an optimum J-value for the sixjet configuration near J = 30



Future Work



- Obtain remainder of data for higher diameter ratios*
- Look at other axial locations for promising cases*
- Re-evaluate data anomalies
- Write a thesis? (no big deal)

^{*}Themis work



Lessons Learned (Gripes)



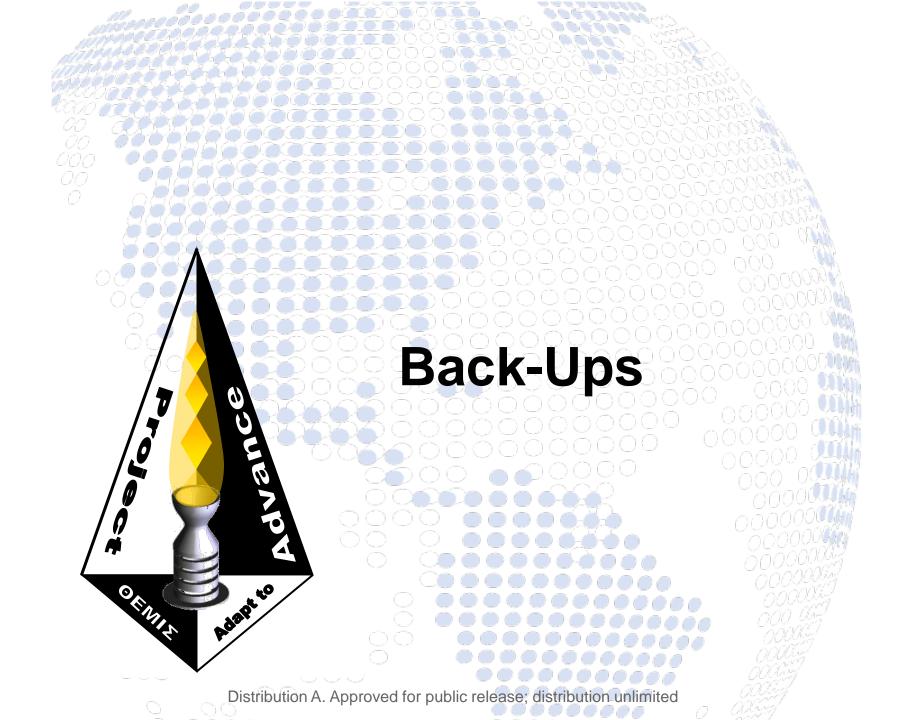
- Government work is just as slow as everyone jokes
- Experimentation is full of headaches
 - Tight fitting of jet inserts with injection block
 - Determining appropriate concentration
 - Rusty tanks
 - Old pressure transducers
 - Leaks, leaks, leaks
 - Having to explain to safety that fluorescein is less dangerous than vacuum pockets
 - Fixing Labview (and logistics of dealing with IT)
 - Doing it all on a shoestring budget
- Just use gases, they're way more simple



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Transverse Jets



Unconfined single transverse jets (single phase)

- Exhaust stacks, V/STOL aircraft, 3D canonical flow
- Studied extensively in literature
 - Fric and Roshko (1994) cited 358 times
 - Smith and Mungal (1998) cited 201 times
 - Yuan, Street and Ferziger (1999) cited 155 times
 - Margason review article (1993) cited 165 times
- Multiple vortex structures
- Scaling laws

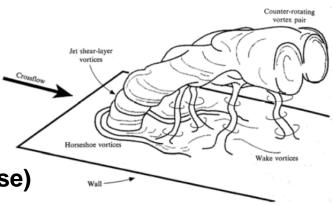
Unconfined single transverse jets (two phase)

- Atomization of liquid jets
- Supersonic gas-phase velocities (Scramjet application)

Confined multiple transverse jets

- Motivated to support gas turbine combustor design
- Holdeman (NASA Glenn) and coworkers major contributor

From Fric and Roshko





Transverse Jet Anatomy



- Counter-rotating Vortex Pair (CVP)
- Horseshoe vortex forms at forward stagnation point
- Wake vortices shed from jet
- Occur over a wide range of Reynolds numbers

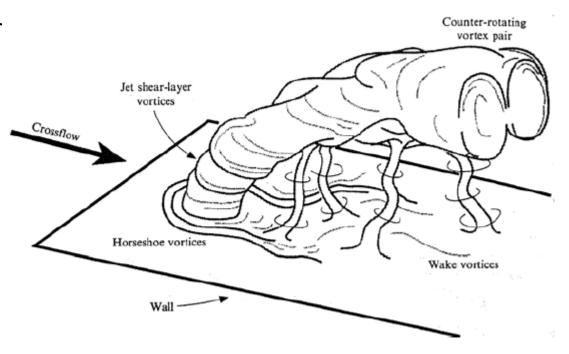


Image Credit: Fric and Roshko (1994)



Problem Statement



Current US Launch Systems

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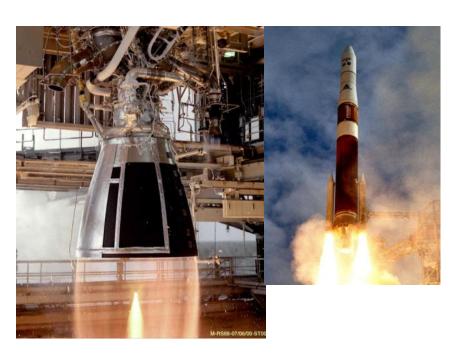
First Stage: 1 RS-68

Propellants: LOX/LH2

Atlas V (Lockheed Martin/ULA)

• First Stage: 1 RD-180

Propellants: LOX/RP-1







Parameters and Scaling Laws



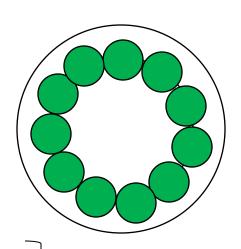
Physical argument for the Holdeman parameter

For good mixing, jet penetration ~ Radius

$$l_c^2 U_c^2 = D_j^2 U_j^2$$
 $l_c^2 \propto R_c D_j$ ~ blockage
 $-D_J r^2 \propto R_c$



- •Jet strongly deflected in a streamwise length of rD_i
- •Jet growth to a width of ~rD_i



Smith and Mungal (1998)

Good mixing:

Jets far enough apart to allow CVP to form Jets close enough to begin to merge when they approach a size of rDj

$$D_J r \propto S$$
 $Sr \propto R_c$ argue $r \propto J^{1/2}$





ND Groups



- Used Buckingham-Pi to determine relevant dimensionless parameters
- Relevant equations:

<u>Continuity</u>	<u>Momentum</u>	Total Momentum
$\dot{m}_j = \rho_j A_j v_j$	$\rho_j A_j v_j^2$	$\rho_j A_j v_j^2 n_j$
$\dot{m}_c = \rho_c A_c v_c$	$ ho_c A_c {v_c}^2$	$\rho_c A_c v_c^2$

Recurring Variables:

$$\rho_j \; \rho_c \; v_j \; v_c \; d_j \; d_c \; n_j$$

Other Variables

 $\mu_j \mu_c$



Parameters of Interest



ND Parameter	Equations	Notes
Momentum Flux Ratio	$J = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2$	Prominent in literature
"Kappa"	$\kappa = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right)\left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2} \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right)$	Proportional to rD scaling
"Lambda"	$\lambda = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right)\left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2} \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right) n_j$	Proportional to rD scaling
"Alpha"	$\alpha = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right)$	Proportional to r ² D scaling
"Epsilon"	$\varepsilon = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right) n_j$	Proportional to r ² D scaling
Momentum Ratio	$\beta = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right)^2$	Prominent for certain jet types
Total Momentum Ratio	$\psi = \left(\frac{\rho_j}{\rho_c}\right) \left(\frac{v_j}{v_c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d_j}{d_c}\right)^2 n_j$	Accounts for jet interaction



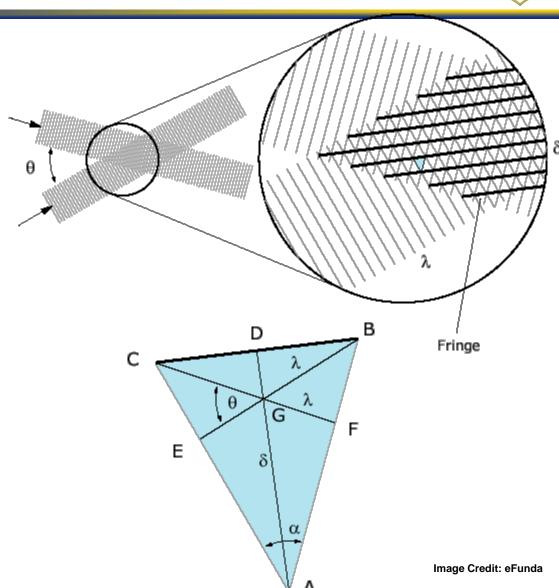
Laser Doppler Velocimetry (LDV)



- Use interference patterns and Mie scattering to calculate bulk flow velocity
- Using geometry, the fringe spacing δ can be determined from laser wavelength and convergence angle θ :

$$\delta = \frac{\lambda}{2\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

 Whenever a scattering particle crosses one of these interference planes, it will be sensed by a photodetector





Laser Doppler Velocimetry



- Particles will periodically pass through interference planes (not continuously)
- This corresponds to the Doppler burst frequency: $f_D = \frac{v_N}{\delta}$ where v_N represents the component of velocity normal to the interference plane
- Limitations:
 - Cannot predict direction
 - True velocity must be estimated by normal component
- Advantages:
 - Relatively simple
 - Non-intrusive

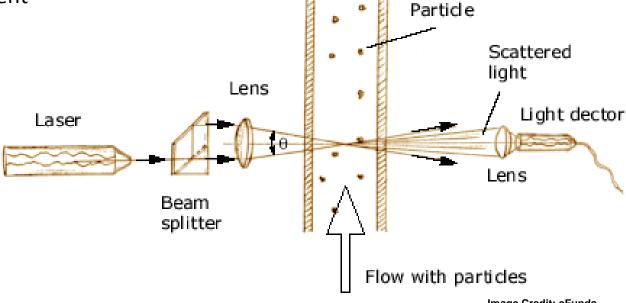
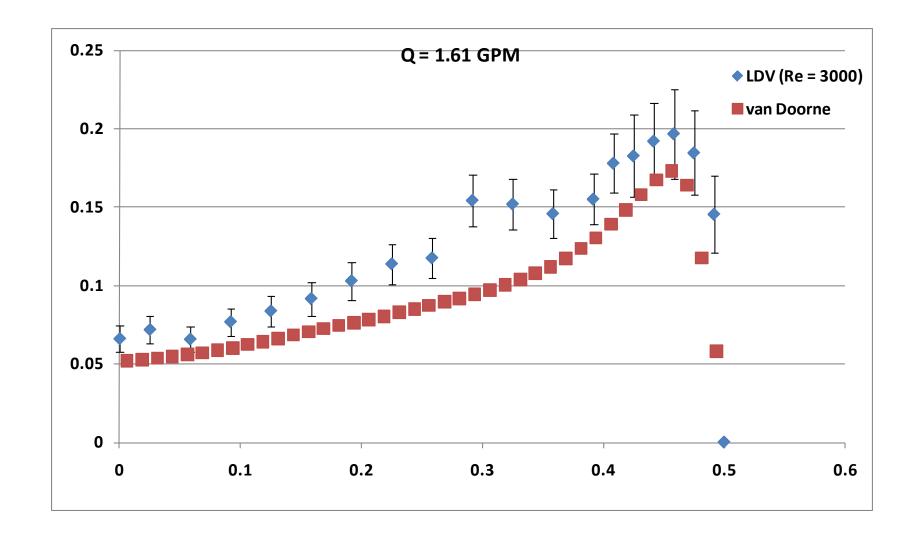


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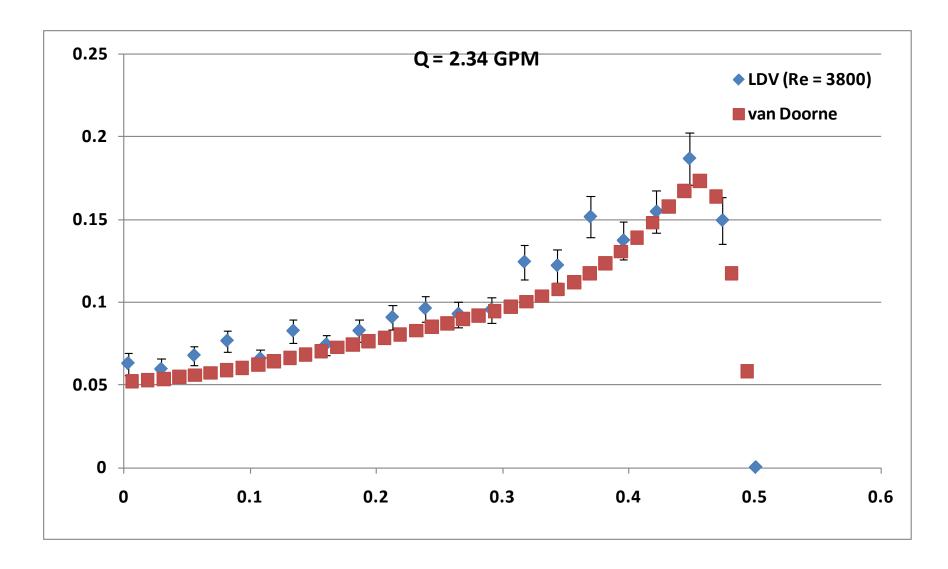






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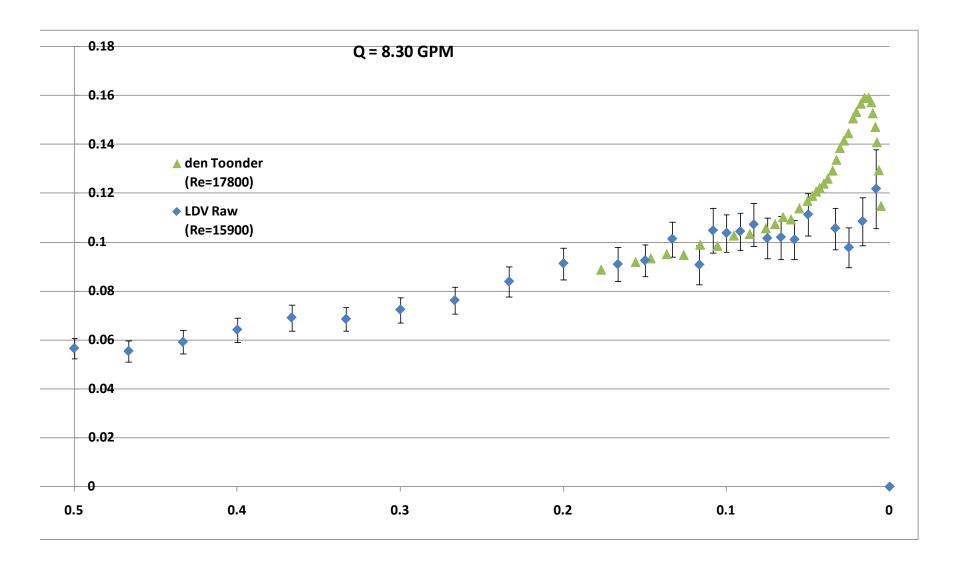






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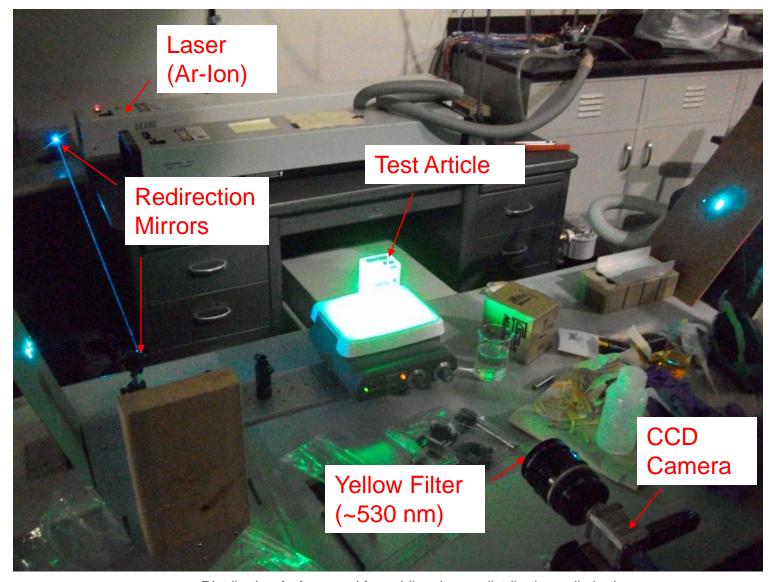






Sample PLIF Setup





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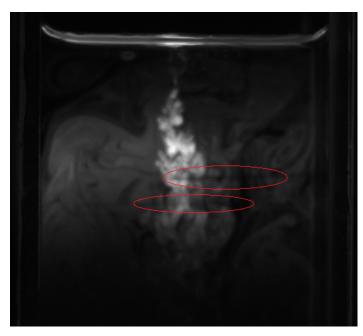
General PLIF Considerations



- Fluid pH > 9
- Photobleaching
- Fluid purity
- Laser power

- Beam/sheet attenuation
- Camera
- Environment and background correction

Laser Attenuation vs. Distance



Shadow streaking as a result of fluid impurities

